

Puzzle Chasers Enthusiastic About Solving Locoed Trees

"What did I tell you yesterday? Of course, we are not quitters—we are just busy hunting up answers that we have not had time to send them in, but they will get there in time and the prizes will not have to go as a donation to a home for decrepit puzzlers either."

The foregoing is a portion of a letter received this morning from one of the puzzlers. Her solution has not put in its appearance, but I am sure it will before 3 o'clock tomorrow. Several others have told me that the person who said the contest was so easy said so before they attempted to solve it.

An interesting letter was handed me just as I came in the office today. It

was from a man. Yes, indeed, there are a number of men puzzlers. He said that he had been engaged in the lumber business for a great many years and thought that he knew everything there was to know about tree locs, but the locoed trees had him "guessing for fair." However, from the looks of the answers he guessed right and fairly, too. There is one class of puzzlers that have never deserted me, and that is the "kiddies." Miss Janet Little, only thirteen years of age, has sent in her solution, and while she may be little by name and little by years, she is not little in her knowledge of locoed trees. I appreciate the efforts of the school girls and boys, for I know they do not have very much time. And the busy housekeepers, who have been my old standbys—but they know what I think of them.

FRANCES CARROLL.

Crop of Young Turkeys Promises Good Season

The turkey crop is beginning to move. Generally, it starts about October 10. This year it is getting in an early extra week.

From the time the young broods are hatched until the season begins in the fall, there are numerous conditions which have to be experienced, and which, frequently, kill off entire droves of the birds before they are large enough to shift for themselves. This year, in many of the heaviest turkey-producing sections—southeast Virginia, especially—many of these conditions appear to have been experienced at once, with disastrous results. Rainy weather, as is generally the case, exterminated the greatest numbers.

But the turkeys that pass the early dangers that confront them usually thrive, and those that are now ready for the market are of a better quality than that which would command good prices. If anything, nearby quantity will be up to last year, or better, for the reason that rain did not play such an important part in the territory immediately surrounding Washington last spring and summer. It is the foreign producing sections that suffered the most from rains.

Whether the supply will be sufficient to meet the whole season's demand is a question that cannot be answered until later, but it is fairly well established that the early season—probably up until about Thanksgiving—will be favorable to the consumer.

Stout Women Should Be Careful in Dress, Because Long Lines Will Be Popular This Winter

Since the long lines of the figure are being followed by the dictators of fashion, perhaps a woman's proportion in dress may not be out of place. If this important element of beauty were considered when a woman selects her gown, the beautiful in dress would grow conspicuous by its presence on the streets or in the home. But how often is the attractiveness of a woman diminished by a frock which emphasizes her shortcomings or exaggerates the long lines of the figure? And how many times is the beauty of a gown lessened because a woman lacking in a sense of the eternal fitness of things has been unfortunate enough to wear it?

There are certain things which a stout woman must deny herself. The draped polonaise, for instance, increases the appearance of width in the skirt and correspondingly cuts down the

height. Materials with crosswise designs should be shunned by the woman who must make the least of her proportions, and she should not wear horizontal tuckings or trimmings. She should wear her garments with the lines in design or trimming running up and down. The thin woman must not wear a dress that is absolutely plain. It must cover up any angularity, which is certainly not beautiful. This is not to say that the simplicity which is always good form, but an appearance of fullness can be gained by making lines run in a horizontal direction. The berth effect softens any sharp lines and adds attractiveness to an angular figure. The draped sash causes the eye to follow a curved lateral sweep, and this detracts from a painfully thin effect. Hats are the rocks upon which the large and the small woman come to grief. Hats with immense crowns and brims can be carried with dignity by the large woman. They give a certain proportion at the top which makes for the pleasing effect.

The little woman with the small face

should be conservative in her selection and pass by the tempting mammoth styles. She should avoid the broad brim, which will cut off the height, the smaller turbans, with less bulk of trimming, are better. The girl with the round, full face, with soft features and fluffy hair, can wear with safety either a stiff, severe hat or the drooping lorgnette. But the woman who has sharp lines of the face and who wears her hair in plain, severe fashion must eschew the inappropriate drooping styles. Long faces may be apparently shortened by wide hats. Probably the best guide in obtaining good lines is the golden mean. Avoid the extreme or the sensational and don't foolishly rush in where the more successful dresser fears to tread. Remember that in following the edicts of any new style the figure of the wearer must be considered. To gain proportion in the ultimate effect a "balancing" treatment of line is good. And, like a golden thread recurring at many points, let the individuality of the wearer be seen in the resultant effect.

WITHOUT A PIPE.

She looked up at the wall of the artist's studio at the little pieces of pipe that was all that was left of the stove that had been there in the water time. "What did you do with your stove?" she asked him. "Put it away in the closet," he replied. "I should think," she said, "that the little stove would find some place in a closet all summer without its pipe." — New York Press.

TOMATO PICKLE.

Take small tomatoes of the "peach" variety, if possible. Wash and slice very thin. Soak in brine over night and drain from two to six hours. The reason green tomato pickles do not keep is because they are not drained long enough. Put into clear water in which is dissolved a piece of alum as large as a flbert. Heat slowly, and when hot pour off the water. Rinse in cold water, drain and place in a jar as for spiced crabs. When hot, seal.

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